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**In the specification:**

Page 1 thru page 2, delete the first paragraph following the heading "Background of the Invention" and replace with the following paragraph:

-- In the development and management of complex software systems, Object Oriented Programming (OOP) has become commonplace. OOP is a type of data programming in which programmers define not only the data type of a data structure, but also types of operations or methods that can be applied to the data structure. Through object modeling, a software system is described as a set of objects. Objects are programming abstractions that have identity, behavior, and state. Objects can have relationships or associations between one another. Also, objects can inherit characteristics, sometimes referred to as attributes from other objects. Object oriented programming requires an object-oriented programming language (OOPL). JAVA™, C++™ and SMALLTALK™ are three of the better known languages used. There are also object-oriented versions of PASCAL™.--